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Society of Broadcast Engineers
Chapter 59

Minutes of the February 8, 2017 Meeting

The February meeting of Chapter 59 of the **Society of Broadcast Engineers** was held February 8, 2017 at the offices of Satellite Engineering Group; 10814 West 78th Street; Shawnee, Kansas. There were 17 in attendance. Mike Rogers, chapter chairman, was in charge.

Rogers opened the business meeting at 11:58AM. He asked Ben Weiss, secretary/treasurer, to read the minutes of the January meeting. The motion to accept the minutes was by John Beck and the second by Chriss Scherer. The motion passed.

There was no old business.

Mike discussed the recent FCC alert regarding the potential for hacking of Barix, Bric-Link, and similar audio over IP devices. The recommendation is to make sure there are protective firewalls in place along with effective passwords; not the factory defaults.

John Gray, program chairman, indicated that he has programs set for the next couple months. The March meeting will be held at Entercom and Orban will present the program by teleconference.

John also discussed the changes to the SBE remailer. The Yahoo account is being replaced by a SBE national account that will be easier to manage. Everyone that has been on the old Yahoo account should have been automatically transferred to the new one. At the end of the month the old Yahoo account will be turned off.

Ron Rockrohr, chapter certification chairman, commented that certification exams will be given at the NAB convention April 25th and the deadline to register is March 17th. The next local exams will be given June 2-12 and the registration deadline is April 21st.

The motion to adjourn was by John Beck and the second by Chriss.

The program was presented by Chris Childs of Satellite Engineering Group. The topic was the necessary repositioning of satellite dishes that most radio stations use for network programming. The current AMC-8 at 139 degrees West is being replaced by AMC-18 at 105 degrees West. The deadline for changing is June 30th.

Submitted by:
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Secretary/Treasurer